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SUBJECT: LORENZ KIDNAPPING: NEXT STEPS

REF: USBERLIN 418

1. BERLIN SENAT CRISIS STAFF WILL MEET AT 0300 MARCH 5

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TO DECIDE NEXT STEPS IF LORENZ' FATE STILL UNKNOWN.

TIMING IS COMPROMISE BETWEEN FRG, REPORTEDLY WILLING TO WAIT TWELVE HOURS AFTER ALBERTZ TV STATEMENT (REFTEL) BEFORE TAKING FURTHER ACTION, AND SENAT, WHICH WANTED TO WAIT ONLY EIGHT HOURS. POLICE HAVE PREPARED PLANS FOR EXTENSIVE HOUSE SEARCHES AND IDENTITY CHECKS OF PERSONS TRAVELING BY PUBLIC OR PRIVATE TRANSPORTATION. POLICE ARE QUIETLY BRINGING ENTIRE FORCE OF MORE THAN 15,000 OFFICERS TO FULL ALERT TO BE ABLE IMMEDIATELY TO EXECUTE PLAN. FIRST ACTIONS WILL INCLUDE: SEARCH OF EIGHTY LOCATIONS IDENTIFIED WITH 2ND OF JUNE MOVEMENT, BAADER-MEINHOF GANG, OR THEIR SYMPATHIZERS: ROADBLOCKS IN ALL PARTS OF WESTERN SECTORS, WHERE POLICE WILL CHECK IDENTITIES OF ALL OCCUPANTS AND REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES: AND INSPECTION OF ALL S-BAHN, U-BAHN AND REICHSBAHN TRAINS, AS WELL AS ALL MOTOR VEHICLES AND WATER CRAFT, DEPARTING WESTERN SECTORS. POLICE INTEND TO SEARCH ADDITIONAL LOCATIONS, AS MAY BE INDICATED BY EVIDENCE SEIZED IN INITIAL SEARCHES AND TO CONTINUE UNTIL ALL POSSIBILITIES EXHAUSTED.

2. IN RESPONSE TO REQUESTS FROM SENAT AND POLICE, ALLIES HAVE AGREED TO INSPECTION OF TRAINS AND VEHICLES. MILITARY POLICE SUPPORT WILL BE PROVIDED AS NEEDED AT ROADBLOCKS TO ENSURE THAT ALLIED VEHICLES OR LICENSE PLATES DO NOT PROVIDE LOOPHOLE FOR TERRORISTS. ALLIES HAVE ALSO AUTHORIZED USE OF POLICE UNITS AND WEAPONS WHICH ARE NORMALLY UNDER THEIR CONTROL AND HAVE AUTHORIZED EMPLOYMENT OF FRG POLICEMEN UNDER APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS. U.S. ARMY HAS SUSPENDED TRAINING IN GRUNEWALD AND AT OUTDOOR FIRING 4-,&3 . WE UNDERSTOOD FIRST ABOVE PLANS WERE TO GO INTO EFFECT ONLY WHEN LORENZ WAS FOUND SAFE. HOWEVER, WE NOW EXPECT MASSIVE POLICE OPERATION TO START WHEN SENAT AND BONN CRISIS GROUPS HAVE DECIDED ENOUGH TIME HAS ELAPSED TO PERMIT CONCLUSION THAT KIDNAPPERS ACTED IN BAD FAITH.

3. ALLIES HAVE BEEN PARTICULARLY CONCERNED WITH TWO ASPECTS OF IMPENDING POLICE OPERATIONS:

BERLIN POLICE ENTERING S-BAHN STATIONS, WHICH ARE REICHSBAHN OPERATING PROPERTY, AND ARRIVAL OF POLICE
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REINFORCEMENTS FROM FRG LAENDER. IN CASE OF S-BAHN OPERATIONS, ALLIES AGREED UPON AND HAVE DELIVERED TO SENAT LETTER AUTHORIZING OPERATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH 1955 BERLIN DECLARATION AND BKO(62)6, BUT HAVE ASKED SENAT TO SUBMIT IN WRITING, REQUEST TO WHICH LETTER RESPONDS. THEY HAVE, HOWEVER, TURNED DOWN POLICE SUGGESTIONS THAT ALLIED MILITARY POLICE ASSIST IN THE OPERATION. THE ALLIES HAVE ALSO AGREED TO

NOTIFY SOVIETS THROUGH PROTOCOL OFFICER CHANNEL
ABOUT S-HAHN OPERATION AND SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER IT
BEGINS, IN ORDER, HOPEFULLY, TO LESSEN CHANCES OF
TROUBLE. WITH RESPECT TO POLICE REINFORCEMENTS FROM
THE FRG FOR WHICH ALLIED AUTHORITY
HAS LONG EXISTED, ALLIES GAVE SENAT USUAL CONDITIONS
ON THE EVENING OF MARCH 4; POLICE MUST TRAVEL TO
BERLIN IN MUFTI: WHILE IN BERLIN, THEY MUST WEAR
BERLIN POLICE UNIFORMS: THEY WILL BE UNDER COMMAND OF
BERLIN CHIEF OF POLICE: AND THEY MUST NOT BRING ARMS
WITH THEM FROM FRG.

4. USCOB CONCURS. GEORGE

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